

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Behrooz SHARIFI *et al.*

Application No. : 10/564,009

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For : USE OF PLEIOTROPHIN IN THE DIAGNOSIS, TREATMENT AND
PREVENTION OF DISEASE

Examiner : Kevin Kai Hill

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Docket No. : 67789-516

Date : April 23, 2009

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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RESPONSE AND ELECTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 27, 2009, this response to which is being timely filed, please consider the following remarks.